

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
ETIENNE DE FONTENAY ET AL.) : Examiner: Thomas J. Williams
Application No.: 10/824,892) : TC/Art Unit: 3683
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each cited document has been submitted herewith.

The concise explanation of relevance of Japanese documents JP 9-100861, JP 11-37206, JP 5-39819, JP 11-270606 and JP 2001-32877 may be found in the English abstracts attached thereto.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner, and that an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 be returned, indicating that the cited references have been considered.

Also, included with this submission is the required fee of \$180.00 to have this Information Disclosure Statement considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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